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Notice of Untimely Filing of the Request for Express Abandonment

| Application Number: | 10630203 | |
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| The request for express was not filed prior to the | abandonment filed on expiration of the response | 4/5/10 period in the |
| previous office action. | | |
| No Extension of Time | requests have been file | ed. |
| Processor Initials: | BP | , |
| Reviewer Initials: | KAT | |

MPEP 711.01

A letter of express abandonment which is not timely filed (because it was not filed within the period for reply), is not acceptable to expressly abandon the application.

The letter of express abandonment should be placed in the application file but not formally entered.

The application should be pulled for abandonment after expiration of the maximum permitted period for reply (see MPEP § 711.04(a)) and applicant notified of the abandonment for failure to reply within the statutory period. See MPEP § 711.02 and § 711.04(c).